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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application
filed on or after June 8, 1995.
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	08/808,315
Filing Date	February 28, 1997
First Named Inventor	KINOSHITA ET AL.
Group Art Unit	2881
Examiner Name	James M. Menefee
Attorney Docket Number	81880-0087

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on August 24, 2001
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply 02/28/2002 MGBREM1 00000021 08808315
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) 01 FC:179
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) 740.00
- iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) \$810
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$740 and \$810 enclosed
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Name (Print/Type)	<u>Lawrence J. McClure</u>	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	<u>44,228</u>
Signature	<u>[Signature]</u>	Date	<u>October 24, 2001</u>

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Deposit Account Name **Hogan & Hartson L.L.P.**

- ☒ Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17
☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

2. ☒ Payment Enclosed:

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101 710	201 355	Utility filing fee	740
106 320	206 160	Design filing fee	
107 490	207 245	Plant filing fee	
108 710	208 355	Reissue filing fee	
114 150	214 75	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) **740**

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims **3** - 20** = **0** x **18** = **0**
Independent Claims **1** - 3** = **0** x **84** = **0**
Multiple Dependent =

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description
103 18	203 9	Claims in excess of 20
102 80	202 40	Independent claims in excess of 3
104 270	204 135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109 80	209 40	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110 18	210 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$) **0**

**or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description
105 130	205 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath
127 50	227 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet
139 130	139 130	Non-English specification
147 2,520	147 2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination
112 920*	112 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action
113 1,840*	113 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action
115 110	215 55	Extension for reply within first month
116 390	216 195	Extension for reply within second month
117 890	217 445	Extension for reply within third month
118 1,390	218 695	Extension for reply within fourth month
128 1,890	228 945	Extension for reply within fifth month
119 310	219 155	Notice of Appeal
120 310	220 155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal
121 270	221 135	Request for oral hearing
138 1,510	138 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding
140 110	240 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable
141 1,240	241 620	Petition to revive - unintentional
142 1,240	242 620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)
143 440	243 220	Design issue fee
144 600	244 300	Plant issue fee
122 130	122 130	Petitions to the Commissioner
123 50	123 50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)
126 180	126 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt
581 40	581 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)
146 710	246 355	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))
149 710	249 355	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))
179 710	279 355	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)
169 900	169 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application

Other fee (specify) _____

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